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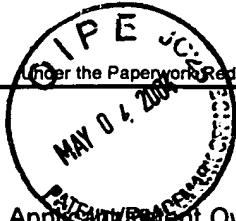
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Shed Forming Device for a Weaving Machine

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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Application Number 10/657,699 Endorsement 1114 (MMRPA00000) (if applicable).

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